



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Terrence Martin HINDS, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/782,036

Confirmation No.: 8219

Group Art Unit: 1733

Filed: February 14, 2001

Examiner: John C. Gallagher

For: A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A FLOOR COVERING

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter the following amendments to the specification:

On page 1, delete the 1st paragraph and insert therefor:

~~This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/141,326 filed on August 27, 1998, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.~~

On page 13, delete the 1st paragraph and insert therefor:

We Claim

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 6 without prejudice and/or disclaimer.

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	30	24	=	6	X	\$18.00	= \$108.00
Independent	1	1	=		X	\$84.00	= \$0.00
				TOTAL			= \$108.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$108.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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